

Cottonwood Heights

Weekly Update for
Feb. 25-March 3, 2018

Public Relations

1. Finished final edits on March newsletter, delivered to printer on Monday. The Tooele Transcript folks were delayed over the weekend in getting final print proofs to me, and I haven't received an explanation. The delay caused delivery to be late, so the newsletters did not arrive in homes until Friday. I will follow up with the printers to see what happened. Already met with Executive Staff and Kim Horiuchi to plan the April newsletter content.
2. Working with Ann to write up applications, cover letters and other content for Butlerville Days. Also adding web pages and updating the BVDays pages to accommodate a streamlined look and feel of the launch page.
3. Working to get March newsletter content onto the website.

Police

1. Two CHPD officers were responded to the weekend snowstorm in a different responsibility. They were driving plows to clear snow in the cul de sacs. Thanks for your help.
2. Police responded to repeat offenders who left cars parked in the street blocking plows during the storm. This resulted in 17 cars being impounded.



CH Police @CHPolice · 8h



Fugitives in a stolen car runs into a police car then refuses to surrender. Both in custody officer has minor cuts.



Community and Economic Development

Meetings

The City met with Wendy Fisher with Utah Open Lands to discuss the City's proposed Open Space Master Plan and how the City could partner with them to get some of the Plan goals implemented. Staff continues to work on the Plan. We are in the final steps of completing the text and formatting the document for review by the public, the Planning Commission and City Council. The plan will include maps, strategies, and goals for meeting the community's expectation for passive and active open space.

Public Meetings

- Agenda and staff reports for the March 7th Planning Commission meeting were prepared and published
- Agenda and staff report for the March 7th Administrative hearing (fence height extension at Willow Creek Pet Center) was prepared and published
- The draft Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinance was further refined by staff in response to the Council's requests
- The miniature goat & pig ordinance was sent to Dr. Harris at the Wasatch Exotic Pet Clinic for review. Her recommendations will be incorporated into the draft ordinance, to be discussed at an upcoming Council meeting
- Staff is working through the proper procedure to appoint an appeals hearing officer, with hopes to hold a hearing in April to process two applications that have been received

Permits and Development

- The February 2018 Development Activity Report has been completed, sent to the Council, and published on the city website
- Permits (2/23 – 3/1)
 - Permits received: 16
 - 5 single family homes
 - 1 swimming pool
 - 1 sign
 - 6 over the counter
 - 1 remodel
 - 2 solar
 - Permits issued: 12
 - 8 over the counter
 - 1 sign
 - 1 single family home
 - 2 remodels

Long-Range Planning

- The second open house for the Wasatch Boulevard Master Plan is scheduled for Monday, March 19th from 5:30-7:30. Staff is meeting with the project consultant next week to prepare. An announcement has been published in the March Newsletter, and will be announced via the city website and social media

Health Committee

- The February step challenge was a success. There were 21 staff members who participated in the challenge and took an average of 5,000 steps daily.
- March's health challenge has been sent out to all city staff. This month's challenge focuses on a more well-rounded healthy lifestyle and promotes making healthy choices.

Bonds

- Bond agreements were received for public improvements to be made at the new Chase Bank on 1300 East and the Felt Dental Office on Highland Drive.

GRAMA Requests

- One records request was received for documents related to the condemnation of the Old Mill.

Business Licensing:

- 116 March Business Renewals Mailed Out
- 30 Business License Renewals
- 4 New Business License Accepted
- 3 New Business Licenses Completed
- 3 STR Inspections
- 20 Compliance Checks
- 2 Businesses Closed
- 2 Address/Owner/Business Info Updates

CHBA:

- Met with several women to create a Women in Business leadership training day
- Working on an Emerging Leaders program for Cottonwood Heights
- Started organized the second annual Zombie Bike Ride for June 11
- Had a great turnout for the Art of Negotiation Business Boot Camp

Public Works



1. Welcome to our newest public works employee, Sione Mataele was born in Tonga and raised in Hawaii. He's lived in Utah since 2015, and lives in West Jordan with his wife and daughter. He previously worked at U.S. Magnesium in Grantsville.
2. During the past week, Public Works plowed snow, cleared ice, patched roads, cleaned trucks, prepped trucks for upcoming storm.

Gilson Engineering

- The LDS Church property appraisal for the right-of-way acquisition for the Bengal Boulevard Roundabout project is complete. We have reached out to the Transaction Manager for the property to coordinate with the property owners to get the process moving towards a final negotiation and approval.

- We are working on getting the environmental documents complete for the roundabout project. We are coordinating with UDOT to determine if a noise study will be required for the project. We are also required to investigate if the existing homes need to go through going through the SHPO (State Historic Preservation Office) process to determine historic preservation status.
- We are reviewing pavement treatment categories and costs that the consultant engineer will be using for the pavement model.

Administrative Services

Bryce Haderlie, Assistant City Manager

1. Four new movable soccer goals were received at Mountview Park this week. They will be assembled when weather improves.
2. Holladay Court contract is in the final draft and will be reviewed by Shane prior to being placed on the Council agenda in the next few weeks.

Eric Jensen, IT Technician

1. The IT Dept. coordinated with John Park to analyze our current fiber backbone, bandwidth and voice options. With this review we were able to combine our voice, data and fiber into a single option for the city with cooperation with Syringa Networks and bring better quality of service, cost savings along with better service.

Mike Halligan, Emergency Manager

1. Cottonwood Heights will host an Incident Command Training on March 19th from 4 - 6pm at City Hall. This is for elected officials primarily to learn how to respond during a natural disaster. Mike is also willing to help officials take that online ICS 700 and ICS 100 courses.

Recorder

March 13-2018

BUSINESS

WELCOME/PLEDGE/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

CITIZEN COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chapter 19.76 Supplementary and Qualifying Rules and Regulations.

Community and Development Director, Mr. Brian Berndt, led a discussion on a proposed text amendment to Chapter 19.76 of the Zoning Ordinance.

PUBLIC HEARING

4.1 Public Hearing to Receive Input on the Proposed Amendment for the 2017-2018 Cottonwood Heights Budget

(Occasionally it is necessary to amend the city budget due to changes that occur from the time of original adoption. This Hearing is to give the public an opportunity to comment on proposed budget adjustments)

REPORTS

3.0 STANDING MONTHLY REPORTS

3.1 Police Report – Police Support Supervisor Candie Terry

(Review of the Police Department statistics for the month of December.)

3.2 Domestic Violence - Nicole Huntsman, CH PD Victim Advocate (20:00)

(Ms. Huntsman will present on current issues with Domestic Violence cases and litigation.)

3.3 Public Works Report – Public Works Director Matt Shipp

(Presentation of the monthly public works report detailing the status of various public works and capital projects throughout the City.)

ACTION ITEMS

CONSENT CALENDAR

January 23 Business Meeting Minutes

Work Session Minutes for February 6/13/20/27 and March 6

6:30 p.m. CDRA MEETING

WORK SESSION

Review of Business Meeting Agenda

Public Relations Report - Dan Metcalf

(Public Relations Specialist Dan Metcalf, will provide Cottonwood Heights media reports with Staff follow-up, where needed.)

Staff Reports

(Each week City Council and staff provide informational reports from attended meetings and each department to allow for a method of keeping up on the day-to-day activities of the City. This report is available on the internet at www.ch.utah.gov. This agenda item is set aside to allow Council members to ask questions or for staff to bring Council up to date of any changes since the report was made.)

6:00 pm Special Reports

a. **Canyons School District (20:00)**

(Monthly Presentation by Ms. Amber Shill with Canyons School District.)

Review of Calendars and Upcoming Events

Closed Meeting

City Manager

Report on legislative policy committee.

First of all, the League provided for us a three page handout of the priority bills they are following. I have attached a pdf copy of that handout with this report.

We talked about the following bills that most impact us.

Transportation Bill SB 136;

This bill is moving around a lot. The major changes they talked about was the change in the .25% sales tax that is used for transportation. This is the quarter cent sales tax that would have been imposed if Proposition one would have passed. There are now four options:

1. The County can impose the .25 % sales tax prior to June 30, 2019 and the county can use 100% of the funds for regionally significant projects or to pay for transportation debt service.
2. The county can impose the tax between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 and the funds will be split with .10% going to cities, .10% to transit and .05% going to the county. This is the original Proposition one language.
3. After July 1, 2020 if the county has not taken the option, cities may impose the tax with .125% going to the city and .125 going to transit.
4. The county and city could do nothing.

Hardly anything else was said on this bill so I guess the UTA shakeup is still probable.

There are currently two homelessness bills:

HB 362 – Representative Eliason and Senator Weiler

This bill has passed the house and now in the senate. Originally this bill raised \$3.3 million for the Road Home. That has been changed and the money goes to the Division of Workforce Services (then, I imagine, to the Road Home for Operations and Maintenance) The money is to come off of the 1% local option sales tax prior to distribution to the cities. How much each individual city pays is a function of how much affordable housing they have, whether they have and shelter and other such items. There is a cap of \$200,000 for larger cities.

SB 235 is sponsored by Senator Davies.

This bill raises \$2.5 million this year and \$5 million next year to offset law enforcement, fire and paramedic costs. The money originally goes to South Salt Lake and Midvale, with SLC, Ogden and St. George qualifying at a later date. Like the other bill, the money comes from the local option sales tax. It would take 1.7% of the half of the local option sales tax distributed by population. Again there is a cap on large cities that only need to pay up to \$200,000. As the current legislation stands, there is an option for cities to impose an addition local option sales tax of .0135 % to make up for the difference.

Cameron Diehl reported that is discussions with leadership, they have made clear that the state feels as if they have put in \$67 million in operation Rio Grande and increasing behavioral help another \$100 million, which they claim they are, the cities are going to fund this portion.

Billboard bill - HB 361

The current state law says that if we force a billboard to relocate, we have to allow them to relocate or purchase the billboard. This bill, which has already passed the house, requires a city to condemn a billboard if they need to move, however the rules for condemnation make it virtually impossible for a city to do so. It also has language that allows a billboard to automatically restore or upgrade an existing billboard which has been interpreted as being able to light a billboard that was not previously lit.

Other bills of interest:

HB135, which we had a resolution last week in opposition to the bill passed the house 42 to 26 and is on to the senate. REP Eliason did not vote, REPs Spendlove and Poulson voted against.

HB 175 which created and oversight committee has been changed to only deal with the executive branch of government. It is now in the Senate.

All in all a rather depressing legislative session.

Mayor and City Council Member Reports

Mayor Mike Peterson

1. Attended the Central Wasatch Commission where the annual budget was adopted, criteria was established for allowing additional membership, and we were made aware of the fact we have over 60 applicants for the executive director position.
2. A meeting with staff and Wendy Fisher of Utah Open Lands to talk about the protection of our City's open space.
3. Met with Dave Schoeneck and staff regarding the potential fire hazard related to undeveloped areas of the Memorial Estates Cemetery.
4. The Bahai religious group met with me to identify potential service projects in our City for their consideration.

5. Attended Senator Brian Zehender's town hall meeting hosted at our City Hall with about 30 residents.
6. United Fire Authority Banquet honoring our firefighters was held this past Saturday and attended by myself and many of our local first responders.
7. Participated in the annual reading of Dr. Seuss books to Bella Vista Elementary students.
8. I attended a meeting with a small group of neighbors concerning the proposed ADU ordinance. I hosted the meeting at our City Hall.

Council Member Scott Bracken

WFWRD Board Meeting Feb 26, 2018

Three new Board Members:

Sherrie Ohrn from Herriman

Ron Patrick from Copperton

Brad Christopherson from Taylorsville

We also were introduced to Sione Tuione (form CH Plow Driver) who is the new Residential Collection & Sustainability Manager. (I guess Pam got us back for hiring off three of her drivers....)

There was public comment from a Robert Newton that lives has a private road in front of his home in Herriman, who asked for a fee refund as he's never received services from the district. That was an action item also. The Board approved the refund for the last 4 years (maximum allowed under the law) - total of \$704.00.

We recognized Gaylyn Larsen for her 34 years of public service (mostly in HR). She will be retiring in the next few weeks.

We received Open and Public Meetings training as per Utah Law

The district was dismissed from a lawsuit from a former (County) employee who was let go prior to the district being formed. However the lawsuit included the district as named, so we had to wait until recently to be formally released.

There was more discussion on the proposed closure of the Transfer Station in South Salt Lake. Not much communication has been occurring with the other stake holders (Salt Lake City - a co-owner, and South Salt Lake (who has a 50-year agreement that waives dumping fees). Pam was given direction to open communication channels with all the stake holders to get the conversation rolling as to what should happen overall. There are many interconnected parts of the discussion, not the least of which is that if the transfer station closes, there is no guarantee that ALL garbage would then be taken to the landfill - there are other (private) transfer stations in the valley.

There is also the 85% requirement in the inter-local between WFWRD and SL County- We are looking to have that amended. If it is not, then significant costs by requiring WFWRD to take most waste to the SL County landfill (rather than other landfills or transfer stations) would result in significant fee increases to cover the fees - this on top of the fee increase just approved. It would move WFWRD fees to be the highest in the valley.

Pam is watching this item closely - it is the single biggest watch item on her list. One option is for WFWRD to operate the transfer station as part of the district - this has pros and cons - mostly cons in my opinion, unless the landfill/ultimate storage location is also within our purview.

Photos

Rep Curtis conducting a Town Hall meeting.



Figure 1- Photo courtesy of Chief Robby Russo

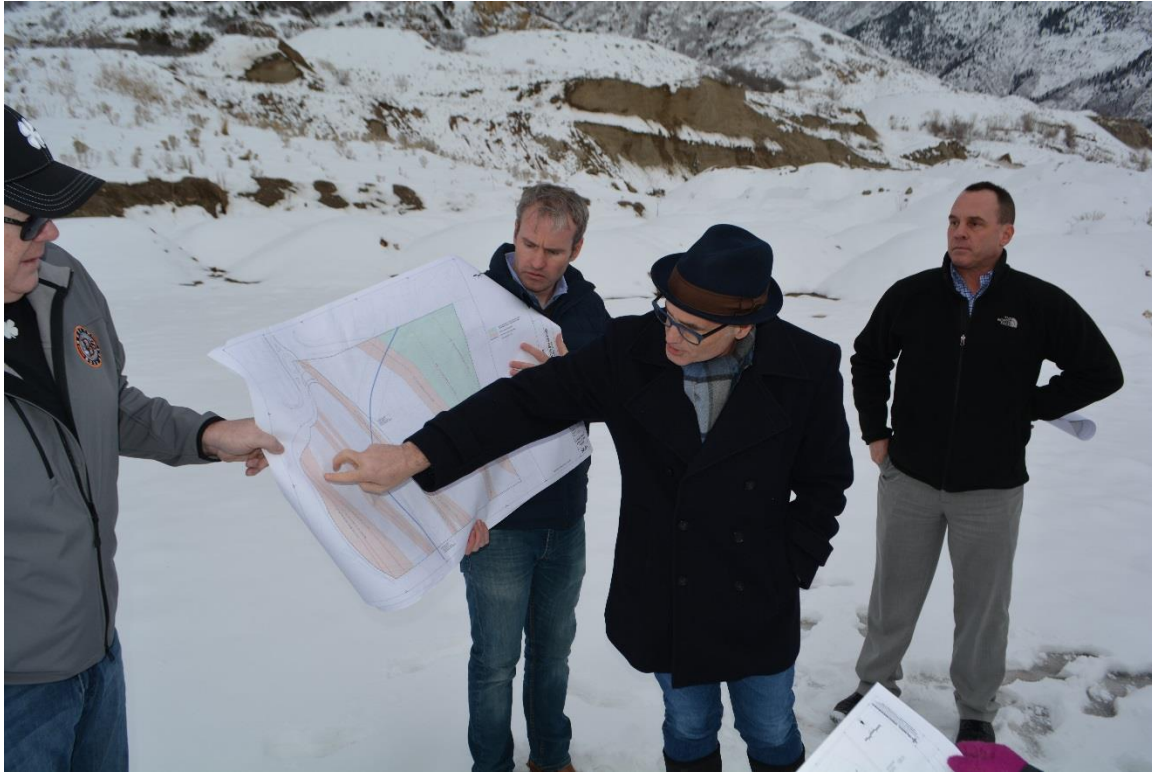


Figure 2-5- City officials and citizens were invited to the gravel pit on Wasatch Blvd to see the property and hear about future plans for development



